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FARMERS TO HAVE BENEFIT

UNION PACIFIC ANNOUNCES CUTS ON HAY GRAIN AND OTHER PRODUCTS

Effective Dec. 27, the Union Pacific announced a new freight rate on many farm products, which rate is considerably lower than the rate which has prevailed for some time. The new rate on a ton of hay from North Platte to Omaha is 80 cents cheaper than the old rate and to Chicago it is \$1.40 cheaper. The rate on corn by the hundred pounds is now 5 1/2¢ cheaper to Omaha and 9 1/2¢ cheaper to Chicago than it was. The new rate on wheat to Omaha is 3 1/2¢ a hundred lower than formerly and 5 1/2¢ lower to Chicago. These are typical of the whole range of grains and feeds which are affected by the reduction. The reductions apply on all the railroads of the middle west and east and were ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission after an exhaustive hearing of the matter. The Farm Bureau led in the demand for the reduction. By an act of congress the war tax on freight shipments is removed Dec. 31 so that three per cent more will be taken off the cost of transportation. Rates on the different articles which are affected by the new schedule are from ten to seventeen per cent lower than they were.

Mrs. E. Nichols returned to Sutherland yesterday where she teaches school, after spending the holidays with her mother Mrs. Carrie Schwaiger.

Mrs. Elda Doty returned the latter part of the week from Cozad where she spent two weeks visiting.

Miss Mabelle McFarland has accepted a position in the Rexall Drug store.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS ENTERTAIN VISITORS FROM OTHER LODGES

The local camp of the Royal Neighbors lodge entertained visiting neighbors last week. The meeting opened with a flag drill by the Silver Leaf Camp followed by invocation by Rev. Moore. Mayor H. E. Evans gave an address of welcome and Madeline Blickensderfer played a piano selection. Miss Edith Snyder gave a reading followed by an address of welcome on behalf of the local chapter of Royal Neighbors by Mrs. Henckle. This address was responded to by Mrs. Henrietta Owens, state supervisor of Omaha. The school of instruction followed the program and took up the remainder of the afternoon. At 6 o'clock a banquet was served to seventy-five guests in the guild parlors of the Episcopal church. The evening's entertainment opened at 8 o'clock with a flower drill by eight young ladies introducing the supreme officers and each officer was presented with beautiful roses. Twelve candidates were initiated and the work was put on by the local camp in a creditable manner. Following initiation a contest of the secret work was given in a most perfect manner. The first prize was won by Mrs. Ross of Chappell. She received a cut glass basket. The second prize was a bouquet of American Beauty roses and was won by Mrs. Smith of Sutherland. At the close of the evening a fancy drill was given by the local camp drill team. Neighboring towns represented at this meeting were Mitchell, Chappell, Sutherland, Hershey, Maxwell and one lady from Oregon.

ASSOCIATED CHARITIES OF NORTH PLATTE IS ORGANIZED

With the object of centralizing the administration of charity work in the city and for the purpose of more effectively taking care of the more unfortunate there was organized last evening the Associated Charities of North Platte. This organization will be governed by a board of control of nine members, and the men and women who will constitute this board are J. E. Sebastian, M. E. Scott, Dr. H. E. Mitchell, Ray Cantlin, J. Q. Wilcox, Mrs. Ollie Salisbury, Mrs. I. L. Stebbins, Miss Annie Kramph and Carl Simon. This board has elected J. Q. Wilcox, president; M. E. Scott, vice president, and Mrs. Ollie Salisbury treasurer. Rev. J. B. Payne will be employed as active secretary and inspector, who will report directly to an executive committee composed of J. E. Sebastian, Miss Annie Kramph and Ray Cantlin.

The Associated Charities will be supported and maintained by popular subscriptions of money, food clothing, fuel and other commodities; the money and food to be donated so much per month from individuals and firms or by lump sums from societies, lodges, clubs firms or individuals.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Mitchell and family and Mrs. Taylor who spent the Christmas holidays at the Scott Leos home returned to their home yesterday.

Miss Bessie Smith returned to Lincoln this morning where she attends the State University after spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Mahan returned to their home in Gothenburg yesterday after spending New Year's at the home of their son, Arthur Mahan.

Mrs. Margaret Taylor of Denver arrived yesterday to spend a week at the Howard McMichael home.

Freeman Hansen returned to Lincoln Saturday where he attends Wesleyan university.

Mrs. Phillip Deats is reported to be quite ill at her home.

ABOUT PEOPLE AND THINGS

CURRENT COMMENT ABOUT PEOPLE AND THE THINGS THEY ARE DOING

Tom Orton recently returned from a trip south and on his way called on F. E. Bullard at Willow Springs, Mo. He found Mr. Bullard looking as well as ever and appearing a little younger than when he left North Platte several years ago. He is running a Missouri farm raising chickens and fruit, milking a few cows and looking after other stock. He will probably attend the Nebraska Grand Lodge of Masons this spring and if plans carry out will make a brief visit at North Platte where his old friends will be glad to see him.

"See Your Banker First" is good advice to the man or woman who has any money to spend. The business of the banker puts him in contact with many financial matters which the ordinary citizen does not meet and he is more wary of the average investment than most of us. The advice does not tell us to follow the banker if he tells us to invest or not to take the chance but when we get his advice we should consider it with the other knowledge we have. Farmers and business men of Lincoln county would be ahead many thousands and probably hundreds of thousands of dollars if they had heeded the advice "See Your Banker First."

One of the constructive measures which the Chamber of Commerce has to its credit is the initiative in having the city attorney of North Platte draft a bill amending the law so that the city could vote bonds for water extensions and enlargements. The amount of such bonds was fixed by law and North Platte had reached that amount and still needed more money. The bill as drafted passed the legislature and the city council taking advantage of the provision called an election and the people voted \$100,000 bonds. When the present plans have been carried out, North Platte will have a modern water system, adequate to its needs and in a position to pay its own way. This was made possible through the activities of the Chamber of Commerce.

A year ago there was considerable complaint about the dumping of garbage about the city. It was shown that there were eleven different places within or near the city where refuse was deposited. The matter was presented to the directors of the Chamber of Commerce and a committee was appointed to work with the city officials in improving the conditions. The plans proposed by the committee called for establishing a dumping ground about a mile east of the city limits and on waste ground where it would not ordinarily be seen. The plan was adopted and strict rules made for the disposal of garbage. The plan has worked fairly well and as the people get accustomed to it the nuisance will gradually disappear. While this matter does not show a money return to those who subscribed to the budget, it was surely worth the time and attention of the directors.

The Department of Public Welfare of the State of Nebraska has issued the following warning about the dangers from automobile exhaust gases.

Investigations made by the United States Government show that gases dangerous to life are frequently present in the exhaust gases from automobiles. These gases are often present in sufficient quantities to produce disagreeable symptoms or even cause death. The effect of these gases is

produced very quickly, usually before the victim realizes the danger.

Observe the following precautions at all times. Always open the garage door and leave it open before starting the engine. Do not allow the engine to run for any length of time in a closed garage. Do not work near the exhaust of a running automobile engine. Special precautions as to ventilation are necessary when in garage pits. When the exhaust is used for heating a closed car the system must be free from leaks.

Persons overcome by exhaust gases from automobiles and gasoline engines should be removed to fresh air and artificial respiration performed until a physician arrives.

Anything that can be done to expedite the delivery of mail in North Platte is of general good. About a year ago Postmaster Sturgis suggested to officers of the Chamber of Commerce that North Platte had made such a growth in recent years that the volume of mail was greater than can be handled in the part of the federal building devoted to the post office. He said that an addition seemed the only way of relieving the situation. The matter was presented to the treasury department through Congressman Kinkaid and following a somewhat lengthy correspondence in which was furnished information and figures relating to the rapid growth of the city plans for the addition were ordered drawn and have been accepted. A recent letter from Congressman Kinkaid stated that the supervising architect had advised him that the addition has been ordered constructed and that it will be erected during the next summer. The members of the Chamber of Commerce may not receive any more benefit from the enlarged post office than any other citizens of this part of the county but without the assistance given, it might have been a long pull and delayed for years.

The North Platte Chamber of Commerce has spent thousands of dollars in the past ten years in road work. It has been well spent and is not regretted. But a more constructive policy would have resulted in some more permanent roads and so much temporary repairs would not have been necessary. To this end the problem of a highway from North Platte to the south county line and farther has been under consideration by the directors of the Chamber. About a month ago the matter came to a head when eight members of the organization accompanied the board of commissioners of Lincoln county to Maywood where an organization was effected and plans formulated for a federal and state aid road between North Platte and Oberlin, Kans., a distance of about 105 miles. Application for the erection of this highway will be made early in the spring and its construction will be urged as soon as funds are available. The road will probably run by way of Wellfleet. No merchant in North Platte can yet show any financial benefit from this road but it will be a wonderful advantage to North Platte in the years to come and the Chamber of Commerce need not be backward in claiming a part of the credit since its officers did a part of the work.

COUNTY AGENT MAKES REPORT

SHOWS SOME OF THE THINGS WHICH HAVE BEEN DONE WITHIN THE YEAR

Following is a portion of the summary of County Agent George H. Kellogg's annual report which was forwarded to Lincoln and Washington this week:

Purebred Sires Only: Thirty signs were distributed. Purebred sires slides were shown at five meetings with an attendance of 203. Some very desirable purebred bulls and boars were introduced. Twenty-five purebred gilts were put on as many farms. Standard bred roosters will be used on many farms where they were not used heretofore.

Crop Improvement: Over 3,000 bushels of certified Kanred seed wheat were distributed to about eighty farmers. Four smut cleaning machines were introduced for cleaning seed.

Pest Eradication: This involves about 2,000 acres for the control of prairie dogs, ground squirrels, gophers and grasshoppers. We used 164 quarts of poisoned oats in this work.

Live Stock Disease Control: Blackleg vaccine was distributed for the treatment of 1,576 calves and 1,341 head of hogs. Treatment was advised for 300 head of hogs for pneumonia, worms or improper food.

Exchange: Work amounting to about \$10,000.

Poultry: Over twenty culling demonstrations with from 25 to 50 per cent non-layers found. Proper feeding and housing discussed. Poultry slides shown at three meetings with an attendance of fifty-six.

Labor: Sixty-nine men placed. **Seed Testing:** No facilities at the office for testing so samples were sent to state seed analyst or to the Experiment Substation at North Platte.

Precinct Organizations: Seventeen precincts have been organized and each has decided on its program of work covering from three to five subjects.

Drainage: Two farms were surveyed but the work will not be completed until financial conditions change.

Miscellaneous: County agent attended several community meetings. Has furnished plans for community organizations, blue prints for a community building and septic tank blue prints.

Junior Club Work: Will be reported later.

In order to accomplish the above work it was necessary to write 40 agricultural articles, 810 personal letters, 29 circular letters, 3,312 copies of circular letters were mailed out, 311 farms were visited, 3,100 office callers, spent 127 days in the field and 92 1/2 days in the office; 117 meetings were held and 4,151 people were in attendance. The estimated profit on the 8 1/2 months work is \$7,819. Much of the work, however, cannot be estimated.

mated in dollars because some work done this year will result in many thousand dollars of profit next year. Eight hundred sixty-six miles traveled by auto and rail. The above report is from March 1 to November 19.

UNION PACIFIC SHOPS ARE CLOSED FOR LACK OF BUSINESS

Notices were posted at the close of the week saying that the Union Pacific railroad shops at this place would not open on January 2 but would be closed indefinitely. Railroad business usually falls off at this time of the year and a number of men are usually laid off but some repair work is usually sent to this division terminal and is handled here. Once before during the past year the shops were closed and later opened when the amount of work to be done had reached a point where it could be done here to advantage. No intimation as to the probable date of reopening the shops has been given out by officials. Some of the men think they will be open in a few weeks and others say it may be months.

POPULAR NORTH PLATTE MOVIE INDEFINITELY CLOSED

Manager Hawley closed the Crystal theater Saturday night and announced that it was closed indefinitely. The business during the past few weeks has not paid expenses and Mr. Hawley does not think there will be any increase in the near future. He will continue to operate the Sun and the Keith and probably two picture houses are all that can make a go of it in North Platte this winter.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

V. F. Briggs of Maxwell transacted business in the city Friday.

Miss Harriet Murrin spent New Year's in Omaha with friends.

John McGinley left yesterday for Omaha where he attends Boyle's Business College.

Miss Margaret Fredrickson returned to Fremont yesterday after spending Christmas vacation with her parents.

Miss Wilma Coates left Sunday for Lincoln where she will make preparations to enter the University the second semester.

Miss Eva Hoagland returned to Lincoln Sunday after spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Hoagland.

Clinton & Son, the Eye Glass Men. Service and Satisfaction.

Paul Simon returned to Lincoln yesterday after spending Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Simon.

Miss Mary Temple returned to Lincoln yesterday after spending Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Reinsh returned to their home in Omaha yesterday after visiting at the home of their daughter Mrs. Jos. Nolan.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Chaloupka and baby returned to their home in Bridgeport Saturday after spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Chaloupka's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Murphy.

U.B. Thrifty says



Save early so that you won't have to slave late

—and another thing to do early is to put in your

LOAN

APPLICATION

EARLY

Farmers around North Platte who have Farm Loans coming due—

—should see us early about renewals or a raise on present loans.

You will always find us willing to co-operate helpfully with you on farm loans problems.

UNION STATE BANK

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Start the New Year by investing your money so you may receive a stipulated monthly income. Our plan is safe, practical and convenient. If interested write or call on us for explanation.

Goodman-Buckley Trust Co.

Capital \$50,000
North Platte, Nebraska

AT THE KEITH THEATRE TODAY

LAST SHOWING OF

"THE SHIEK"

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

Ethel Clayton in "The Ladder of Lies"

AT THE SUN TODAY

LAST SHOWING OF WM. S. HART IN

"SANDS"

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

Alice Lake in "Garments of Truth"